

## **Claims**

1. The compound of the general Formula I,

Formula I

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in which A means hydrogen or deuterium, R stands for a group that is selected from  $C_{1-6}$ -alkyl,  $C_{3-10}$ -cycloalkyl or phenyl, which may each be substituted with  $C_{1-3}$ -alkoxy, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, nitro, amino, hydroxyl, oxo, mercapto or deuterium and where the C-atom marked with a star "\*" may be present in the (R)-configuration, the (S)-configuration or as a mixture of it,

characterized by the fact that the said compound is present as a free base in a degree of purity of above 97 percent by weight.

- 2. A compound according to claim 1, whereby R is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, isopropyl 1 1-propyl, 1-butyl, 2-butyl, tertiary-butyl, iso-butyl, pentyl and hexyl.
- 3. A compound according to one of the previous claims, whereby the compound is 2-[3-(1,1-diisopropylamino)-1-phenylpropyl]-4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl isobutyrate.
  - 4. A compound according to one of the previous claims characterized by the fact that the C-atom marked with "\*" is present in the (R)-configuration.

- 5. A compound according to one of the previous claims, whereby the compound is (R)-2-[3-(1,1-diisopropylamino)-1-phenylpropyl]-4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl isobutyrate (fesoterodine).
- 6. A compound according to one of the previous claims for use as a medicine.
- 7. Manufacture of a compound of the general Formula I

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through release of the base from a crystalline salt of the general Formula II

Formula II

with a degree of purity of at least 97 percent by weight where A and R have the significance given above, X<sup>-</sup> is the acid residue of a physiological compatible acid and where the C<sup>-</sup>atom marked with "\*" (a star) can be present in the (R)-configuration, in the (S)-configuration or as a mixture thereof.

- 8. A manufacturing procedure in accordance with claim 7, characterized by the fact that the conversion of the compound of the Formula II is made with a suitable releasing reagent in an aqueous solution.
- 9. A manufacturing procedure in accordance with claim 8, whereby the releasing reagent has a  $pK_B$  of 8-11 and does not lead to the precipitation of compounds of the Formula I.
- 10. A manufacturing procedure in accordance with one of the previous claims characterized by the fact that the free base of the general Formula I is released from the crystalline salt of the general Formula II by a reagent being added which is chosen from the group
  - (a) of the alkaline, alkaline earth- or ammonium hydrogen carbonates
- (b) of the amines, polyamines and alkaline polyamino acids and
  - (c) of the alkaline ionic exchangers
  - 11. A manufacturing procedure according to one of the previous claims characterized by the fact that the compound of the Formula 1 is released from a crystalline salt of the Formula II through the addition of an alkaline, an earth-alkaline or an ammonium hydrogen carbonate.
- 12. A manufacturing procedure according to one of the previous claims characterized by the fact that after the release of the high purity base of the Formula I from the salt of the Formula II, a solution is added that is chosen from the group of dichloromethane, ethyl methyl ketone, ethyl acetate, tertiary butyl methyl ether, diether as well as toluene.
- 13. A manufacturing process according to one of the previous claims characterized by the fact that the R is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, 1-propyl, 1-butyl, 2-

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butyl, tertiary-butyl, iso-butyl, pentyl and hexyl and whereby the C-atom marked with an "\*" (star) is present in the (R)-configuration.

- 14. A manufacturing process according to one of the previous claims, whereby the compound is of the Formula I (R)-2-[3-(1,1-diisopropylamino)-1-phenylpropyl]-4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl isobutyrate.
  - 15. A manufacturing process according to one of the previous claims, whereby the compound is of the Formula II (R)-2-[3-(1,1-diisopropylamino)-1-phenylpropyl]-4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl isobutyrate hydrogen fumarate.
  - 16. Manufacture of a pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to one of the claims 1-5 characterized by the fact that the said compound is manufactured following a procedure in compliance with one of the claims 7-15 and then is mixed with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
  - 17. A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to one of the claims1-5 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 18. A pharmaceutical formulation according to claim 17, whereby the pharmaceutically acceptable carrier is a polymer.
- 19. A pharmaceutical formulation according to one of the previous claims characterized by the stabilization of the compound of the Formula I in the pharmaceutical formulation,
  25 whereby the stabilization factor, determined by the division of the average monthly drop in concentration of the compound of Formula I during storage of the pharmaceutical formulation at 5°C by the average monthly drop in concentration of the corresponding compound of Formula 1 during storage as oil and in the absence of the pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, is at least 2.
  - 20. A pharmaceutical formulation according to the claims 17-19, whereby the formulation exhibits a pH value of 3.0-6.0.
  - 21. A pharmaceutical formulation according to one of the previous claims, whereby the pharmaceutical formulation is suitable for transdermal or transmucosal delivery.

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- 22. A pharmaceutical formulation according to one of the previous claims, whereby the pharmaceutical formulation contains a polymer layer in which a compound according to one of the claims 1-5 is either dissolved or dispersed.
- 23. A pharmaceutical formulation according to claim 22, whereby the polymer layer contains a contact adhesive that makes the attachment of the pharmaceutical composition to the skin or the mucous membrane of the patient possible.
- 24. A pharmaceutical formulation according to claim 22, whereby the polymer layer contains a contact adhesive that makes the attachment of the pharmaceutical composition to the skin of the patient possible and that is chosen from the group of silicone, acrylate, SXS-, PIB- or EVA based contact adhesives.
- 25. A pharmaceutical formulation according to one of the previous claims, whereby the pharmaceutical formulation is a transdermal therapeutic system of the active drug-in-adhesive type.
- 26. A kit containing a pharmaceutical formulation according to one of the previous claimsand a drying agent.
  - 27. A dosing unit, which contains at least 3 mg of a compound of the general Formula I,

Formula II

as well as at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, whereby A is either hydrogen or deuterium, R stands for a group that is selected from  $C_{1-6}$ -alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$ -cycloalkyl or phenyl, which may each be substituted with  $C_{1-3}$ -alkoxy, fluorine, chlorine, bromine,

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iodine, nitro, amino, hydroxyl, oxo, mercapto or deuterium and where the C-atom marked with a star "\*" may be present in the (R)-configuration, the (S)-configuration or as a mixture of it and whereby the free base of the compound I is present in a purity of above 97 percent by weight.

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28. A dosing unit according to claim 27, whereby the compound is (R) 2-[3-(1,1-Diisopropylamino)-1-phenylpropyl]-4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl isobutyrate (fesoterodine).

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29. Use of a compound according to one of the claims 1-5 for the manufacture of a medicine.

30. Use according claim 29 whereby the medicine is suitable for the treatment of incontinence, hyperactivity of the detrusor, hyperactivity of the bladder, pollakisuria, nocturia or imperative urinary urgency.

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31. Use according to one of the previous claims, whereby the medicine is suitable for transdermal or transmucosal administration.

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32. Use according to one of the previous claims, whereby the medicine is a patch.

- 33. Use according to one of the previous claims, whereby the medicine

  (b) comprises a self-adhesive polymer layer into which the high purity base
  - (b) comprises a self-adhesive polymer layer into which the high purity base of fesoterodine was introduced and
  - (b) delivers fesoterodine at a flux rate of 3-15 mg/day through human skin.

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34. fesoterodine hydrogen carbonate.

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35. A method for the treatment of incontinence, hyperactivity of the detrusor, hyperactivity of the bladder, pollakisuria, nocturia or imperative urinary urgency through the administration of a compound according to one of the claims 1-5 or a formulation according to one of the claims 17-25 to a mammal.

## Summary

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This invention concerns a compound of the general Formula I,

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## Formula I

in which A means hydrogen or deuterium, R stands for a group that is selected from C<sub>1-6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>3-10</sub>-cycloalkyl or phenyl, which may each be substituted with C<sub>1-3</sub>-alkoxy, fluorine, chlorine, bromine, iodine, nitro, amino, hydroxyl, oxo, mercapto or deuterium and where the C-atom marked with a star "\*" may be present in the (R)-configuration, the (S)-configuration or as a mixture of it,

characterized by the fact that the said compound is present as a free base in a degree of purity of above 97 percent by weight.

Furthermore, the invention concerns a procedure for the manufacture of high purity compounds of the general Formula I as well as the use of the high purity compounds for the manufacture of drugs.